BETHESDA FIRE DEPARTMENT

MISSION

The Bethesda Fire Department is responsible for responding to all fires, medical emergencies and rescue situations in the Bethesda Fire District.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Bethesda Volunteer Fire Department provides a full complement of Emergency Services to the southeastern portion of Durham County to include the Bethesda, Lynn's Crossroads, and Bilboa communities. The fire district also provides services to Research Triangle Park and portions of the City of Durham. Bethesda provides fire suppression, heavy rescue, and confined space rescue. Other programs include fire prevention in the communities and schools.

The Bethesda Fire District is one of seven fire districts in Durham County. Fire district tax revenues support expenditures for this fire district.

2003-04 OBJECTIVES

- Provide Emergency Response 24 hours per day, 7 days per week (Suppression Division).
- Provide Fire Safety programs to the citizens of the Bethesda district (Suppression Division).
- Address the increased manpower requirements mandated by OSHA.